

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of providing illumination while connecting a vehicle charger to a mobile device, the method comprising:
 - 5 mounting a light source on a first plug of the vehicle charger adapted to connect to said mobile device; and connecting said light source to a power supply to illuminate said light source.
 2. The method of claim 1 wherein connecting said light source to the power supply comprises selectively actuating a switch disposed on said first plug and electrically connected to said light source and the power supply.
 3. The method of claim 2 wherein selectively actuating said switch disposed on said first plug connects said light source to a vehicle power supply.
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4. The method of claim 1 wherein selectively actuating said switch disposed on said first plug connects said light source to an internal power supply disposed within the vehicle charger.
- 20 5. The method of claim 4 wherein selectively activating said switch comprises selectively activating a momentary contact switch or an on/off switch.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein providing illumination while connecting the vehicle charger to the mobile device comprises providing illumination with a light emitting diode (LED).
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7. The method of claim 8 wherein providing illumination with a light emitting diode comprises providing illumination with a white or blue (LED).

8. A vehicle charger for a mobile device comprising:
 - a first plug adapted to connect with a mobile device; and
 - a light source disposed on said first plug to provide illumination while connecting said first plug to the mobile device.

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9. The vehicle charger of claim 8 further comprising a switch disposed on said first plug to selectively connect said light source to a power supply.

10. The vehicle charger of claim 9 wherein said switch comprises a momentary contact switch or an on/off switch.

11. The vehicle charger of claim 10 wherein said momentary contact switch comprises a momentary contact rocker switch, a momentary contact push button, or a momentary contact slide switch.

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12. The vehicle charger of claim 9 wherein said switch selectively connects said light source to a vehicle power supply.

13. The vehicle charger of claim 9 wherein said switch selectively connects said light source to an internal power supply.

14. The vehicle charger of claim 8 wherein said light source comprises a light emitting diode (LED).

- 25 15. The vehicle charger of claim 14 wherein said LED comprises a whiter or blue LED.

16. A vehicle charger for a mobile device and adapted to be used with a vehicle having a power supply, said vehicle charger comprising:

a cable;

a first plug disposed on a first end of the cable, said first plug adapted to

5 connect with the mobile device;

a second plug disposed on a second end of the cable, opposite the first end,

said second plug adapted to connect with the power supply of the vehicle;

wherein said first plug comprises an outer housing and wherein the outer

10 housing includes a light source for illuminating the mobile device while connecting said first plug to the mobile device.

17. The vehicle charger of claim 16 further comprising a switch disposed on the

outer housing of said first plug to selectively connect said light source to a power

15 supply.

18. The vehicle charger of claim 17 wherein said switch selectively connects said light source to a vehicle power supply via said second plug.

20 19. The vehicle charger of claim 17 wherein said switch selectively connects said light source to an internal power supply disposed within said first plug.

20. The vehicle charger of claim 17 wherein said switch comprises a momentary contact switch or an on/off switch.

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21. The vehicle charger of claim 16 wherein said light source comprises a light emitting diode (LED).